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Docket
Number SDB-001CP

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

Removal of Molecular Assay Interferences
the specification of which

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X is attached hereto.

was filed on _____ as _____

Application No. _____

and was amended on _____
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I do not know and do not believe that the subject matter of this application was known or used by others in the United States or patented or described in a printed publication in any country before my invention thereof, or patented or described in a printed publication in any country or in public use or on sale in the United States more than one year prior to the date of this application, or first patented or caused to be patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate by me or my legal representatives or assigns in a country foreign to the United States prior to the date of this application on an application filed more than twelve months (six months if this application is for a design) before the filing of this application; and I acknowledge my duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application, that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on the subject matter of this application has been filed by me or my representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States, except those identified below, and that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to herein.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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CLAIM OF BENEFIT OF EARLIER FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) from which priority is claimed.

Check one:

☒ no such applications have been filed.

☐ such applications have been filed as follows

EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY, FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (month,day,year)	Priority Claimed Under 35 USC 119
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CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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1970-1971	1972-1973	1974-1975	1976-1977	1978-1979	1980-1981	1982-1983	1984-1985	1986-1987	1988-1989	1990-1991	1992-1993	1994-1995	1996-1997	1998-1999	2000-2001	2002-2003	2004-2005	2006-2007	2008-2009	2010-2011	2012-2013	2014-2015	2016-2017	2018-2019	2020-2021	2022-2023	2024-2025	2026-2027	2028-2029	2030-2031	2032-2033	2034-2035	2036-2037	2038-2039	2040-2041	2042-2043	2044-2045	2046-2047	2048-2049	2050-2051	2052-2053	2054-2055	2056-2057	2058-2059	2060-2061	2062-2063	2064-2065	2066-2067	2068-2069	2070-2071	2072-2073	2074-2075	2076-2077	2078-2079	2080-2081	2082-2083	2084-2085	2086-2087	2088-2089	2090-2091	2092-2093	2094-2095	2096-2097	2098-2099	2100-2101	2102-2103	2104-2105	2106-2107	2108-2109	2110-2111	2112-2113	2114-2115	2116-2117	2118-2119	2120-2121	2122-2123	2124-2125	2126-2127	2128-2129	2130-2131	2132-2133	2134-2135	2136-2137	2138-2139	2140-2141	2142-2143	2144-2145	2146-2147	2148-2149	2150-2151	2152-2153	2154-2155	2156-2157	2158-2159	2160-2161	2162-2163	2164-2165	2166-2167	2168-2169	2170-2171	2172-2173	2174-2175	2176-2177	2178-2179	2180-2181	2182-2183	2184-2185	2186-2187	2188-2189	2190-2191	2192-2193	2194-2195	2196-2197	2198-2199	2200-2201	2202-2203	2204-2205	2206-2207	2208-2209	2210-2211	2212-2213	2214-2215	2216-2217	2218-2219	2220-2221	2222-2223	2224-2225	2226-2227	2228-2229	2230-2231	2232-2233	2234-2235	2236-2237	2238-2239	2240-2241	2242-2243	2244-2245	2246-2247	2248-2249	2250-2251	2252-2253	2254-2255	2256-2257	2258-2259	2260-2261	2262-2263	2264-2265	2266-2267	2268-2269	2270-2271	2272-2273	2274-2275	2276-2277	2278-2279	2280-2281	2282-2283	2284-2285	2286-2287	2288-2289	2290-2291	2292-2293	2294-2295	2296-2297	2298-2299	2300-2301	2302-2303	2304-2305	2306-2307	2308-2309	2310-2311	2312-2313	2314-2315	2316-2317	2318-2319	2320-2321	2322-2323	2324-2325	2326-2327	2328-2329	2330-2331	2332-2333	2334-2335	2336-2337	2338-2339	2340-2341	2342-2343	2344-2345	2346-2347	2348-2349	2350-2351	2352-2353	2354-2355	2356-2357	2358-2359	2360-2361	2362-2363	2364-2365	2366-2367	2368-2369	2370-2371	2372-2373	2374-2375	2376-2377	2378-2379	2380-2381	2382-2383	2384-2385	2386-2387	2388-2389	2390-2391	2392-2393	2394-2395	2396-2397	2398-2399	2400-2401	2402-2403	2404-2405	2406-2407	2408-2409	2410-2411	2412-2413	2414-2415	2416-2417	2418-2419	2420-2421	2422-2423	2424-2425	2426-2427	2428-2429	2430-2431	2432-2433	2434-2435	2436-2437	2438-2439	2440-2441	2442-2443	2444-2445	2446-2447	2448-2449	2450-2451	2452-2453	2454-2455	2456-2457	2458-2459	2460-2461	2462-2463	2464-2465	2466-2467	2468-2469	2470-2471	2472-2473	2474-2475	2476-2477	2478-2479	2480-2481	2482-2483	2484-2485	2486-2487	2488-2489	2490-2491	2492-2493	2494-2495	2496-2497	2498-2499	2500-2501	2502-2503	2504-2505	2506-2507	2508-2509	2510-2511	2512-2513	2514-
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CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any earlier United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the earlier application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date(s) of the earlier application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application. As to subject matter of this application which is common to my earlier application(s), if any, described below, I do not know and do not believe that the same was known or used by others in the United States or patented or described in a printed publication in any country before my invention thereof, or patented or described in a printed publication in any country or in public use or on sale in the United States more than one year prior to the date(s) of said earlier application(s), or first patented or caused to be patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate by me or my legal representatives or assigns in a country foreign to the United States prior to the date(s) of said earlier application(s) on an application filed more than twelve months (six months if this application is for a design) before the filing of said earlier application(s); and I acknowledge that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on said subject matter has been filed by me or my representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States except those identified herein.

<u>09/805,785</u> (Application No.)	<u>March 13, 2001</u> (Filing Date)	<u>Pending</u> (Status) (patented,pending,aband.)
<u>09/185,402</u> (Application No.)	<u>November 3, 1998</u> (Filing Date)	<u>Abandoned</u> (Status) (patented,pending,aband.)
<u>08/988,029</u> (Application No.)	<u>December 10, 1997</u> (Filing Date)	<u>Abandoned</u> (Status) (patented,pending,aband.)

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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